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Status as of April 1, 1999

The privately owned, deep-draft fleet of the U.S. merchant marine totaled 354 vessels with a carrying capacity of about 15 million deadweight tons (dwt.) on April 1, 1999, according to the U.S. Department of Transportation's Maritime Administration. The total comprised 285 oceangoing ships and 69 Great Lakes vessels.

Compared with April 1, 1998, totals, the number of ships in the U.S. privately owned, deep-draft fleet increased by 5 vessels and the fleet's carrying capacity increased by 195,950 dwt.

There were 6 commercial ships under construction or on order as of April 1, 1999.

A profile of U.S. maritime activities follows:

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U. S.-FLAG OCEANGOING SELF-PROPELLED MERCHANT VESSELS
OF 1,000 GROSS TONS AND OVER
As of APRIL 1, 1999

(Tonnage in Thousands)

	TOTAL			PRIVATELY OWNED			GOVERNMENT OWNED		
	<u>No.</u>	<u>GRT</u>	<u>DWT</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>GRT</u>	<u>DWT</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>GRT</u>	<u>DWT</u>
Active Fleet									
Tanker	123	4,482	7,914	122	4,471	7,897	1	11	17
Dry Bulk	14	350	579	14	350	579	-	-	-
Containership	82	2,914	2,905	81	2,896	2,889	1	18	16
Roll-on/Roll-off	27	939	552	27	939	552	-	-	-
Cruise/Passenger	4	63	37	1	20	7	3	43	30
Other*	28	559	689	24	527	647	4	32	42
Total	278	9,307	12,676	269	9,203	12,571	9	104	105
Inactive Fleet									
Tanker	35	823	1,572	8	343	703	27	480	869
Dry Bulk	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Containership	9	201	191	6	130	137	3	71	54
Roll-on/Roll-off	32	697	718	-	-	-	32	697	718
Cruise/Passenger	8	86	79	-	-	-	8	86	79
Other*	112	1,270	1,711	2	6	8	110	1,264	1,703
Total	196	3,077	4,271	16	479	848	180	2,598	3,423
Total Fleet									
Tanker	158	5,305	9,486	130	4,814	8,600	28	491	886
Dry Bulk	14	350	579	14	350	579	-	-	-
Containership	91	3,115	3,096	87	3,026	3,026	5	89	87
Roll-on/Roll-off	59	1,636	1,270	27	939	552	32	697	718
Cruise/Passenger	12	149	116	1	20	7	10	129	92
Other*	140	1,829	2,400	26	533	655	114	1,296	1,745
Total U.S.-Flag	474	12,384	16,947	285	9,682	13,419	189	2,702	3,528

* Breakbulk ships, partial containerships, refrigerated cargo ships, barge carriers and specialized cargo ships.

DEPLOYMENT OF U.S.-FLAG OCEANGOING SELF-PROPELLED MERCHANT VESSELS (a)
OF 1,000 GROSS TONS AND OVER
AS OF April 1, 1999

(Tonnage in Thousands)

Status Ownership	<u>Total</u>		<u>Tankers</u>		<u>Dry Bulk</u>		<u>Containership</u>		<u>Roll-on Roll-off</u>		<u>Cruise/ Passenger</u>		<u>Other</u>	
	<u>No.</u>	<u>DWT</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>DWT</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>DWT</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>DWT</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>DWT</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>DWT</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>DWT</u>
Grand Total	474	16,947	158	9,486	14	579	91	3,096	59	1,270	12	116	140	2,400
Active Vessels	278	12,676	123	7,914	14	579	82	2,905	27	552	4	37	28	689
Privately Owned	269	12,571	122	7,897	14	579	81	2,889	27	552	1	7	24	647
U.S. Foreign Trade	101	4,245	19	1,139	9	435	55	2,253	6	107	-	-	12	311
Foreign-to-Foreign	13	1,059	13	1,059	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Domestic Trade	118	6,302	83	5,504	4	103	23	570	7	118	1	7	-	-
Coastal	60	2,374	56	2,271	4	103	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Non-Contiguous	58	3,928	27	3,233	-	-	23	570	7	118	1	7	-	-
M.S.C. Charter	37	965	7	195	1	41	3	66	14	327	-	-	12	336
Government Owned	9	105	1	17	-	-	1	16	-	-	3	30	4	42
Ready Reserve Force (RRF)	2	24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	9	1	15
Other Custody	3	44	1	17	-	-	1	16	-	-	-	-	1	11
Other Reserve (NDRF)	4	37	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	21	2	16
Inactive Vessels	196	4,271	35	1,572	-	-	9	191	32	718	8	79	112	1,711
Privately Owned	16	848	8	703	-	-	6	137	-	-	-	-	2	8
Laid-up/not trading*	15	814	7	669	-	-	6	137	-	-	-	-	2	8
Laid-up/(MARAD Custody)	1	34	1	34	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Government Owned (MARAD Custody)														
National Defense Reserve Fleet	180	3,423	27	869	-	-	3	54	32	718	8	79	110	1,703
Ready Reserve Force (RRF)	89	1,882	10	304	-	-	2	34	31	704	1	17	45	823
Other Reserve (NDRF)	46	907	9	342	-	-	1	20	1	14	-	-	35	531
Non-Retention /b	45	634	8	223	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	62	30	349

(a) Self Propelled Vessels - Includes Integrated Tug/Barges; Excludes Great Lakes Vessels

(b) Vessels not actively maintained.

* Vessels idle 30 days or more.

Source: Maritime Administration
Office of Statistical
& Economic Analysis

Subsidized Vessels In The U.S. Merchant Marine
April 1, 1999

Total subsidized fleet: 7

Companies holding operating contracts: 3*

<u>Vessels</u>	<u>Totals</u>	<u>Gross Registered Tons</u>	<u>Estimated Dwt.</u> <u>(In Bbls)</u>
<u>TOTALS:</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>1,060,157</u>	<u>2,053,140</u>
<u>BULK CARRIERS</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>960,371</u>	<u>1,890,640</u>
Active	37	732,403	1,458,200
Temporarily Inactive	14	168,500	322,050
Inactive, Laid up, more than 12 months	6	59,468	110,390
<u>ITB BULK:</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>81,878</u>	<u>162,500</u>
Active	7	78,465	157,100
Temporarily Inactive	0	0	0
Inactive, Laid up, long term	1	3,413	5,400
<u>TANKERS:</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>9,758</u>	<u>123,000</u>
Active	2	9,758	123,000
Temporarily Inactive	0	0	0
Inactive, Laid up, long term	0	0	0
<u>ITB TANKERS:</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>8,150</u>	<u>135,000</u>
Active	2	8,150	135,000
Temporarily Inactive	0	0	0

*one additional contract is still in existence but is dormant.

NOTE: The method of recognizing the fleet has been changed to more accurately reflect the emergence of the integrated tug/barge (ITB) on the Great Lakes. The car ferry category was dropped in order to provide a more precise picture of cargo carriers.

LABOR

April 1, 1999

U.S. OCEANGOING SHIPBOARD JOBS¹

	<u>CARGO SHIPS</u>	<u>TANKERS</u>	<u>PASS/ COMBO</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>	<u>4,757</u>	<u>3,958</u>	<u>321</u>	<u>9,036</u>
Licensed	1,624	1,404	25	3,053
Unlicensed	3,133	2,554	296	5,983
<u>A. COMMERCIAL</u>				
<u>ACCOUNT TOTAL</u>	<u>3,362</u>	<u>2,948</u>	<u>321</u>	<u>6,631</u>
Licensed	1,356	1,191	25	2,572
Unlicensed	2,006	1,757	296	4,059
<u>B. GOVERNMENT ACCOUNT</u>				
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>1,395</u>	<u>1,010</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,405</u>
Licensed	268	213	0	481
Unlicensed	1,127	797	0	1,924
 1. <u>SHIP MGR/GEN AGENT SHIPS</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>120</u>
Licensed	19	22	0	41
Unlicensed	31	48	0	79
 2. <u>MSC CIVIL SERVICE</u>				
<u>SHIPS</u>	<u>1,345</u>	<u>940</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,285</u>
Licensed	249	191	0	440
Unlicensed	1,096	749	0	1,845

¹/Estimate based on active jobs for licensed and unlicensed personnel aboard oceangoing ships of 1,000 gross tons and over.

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OFFICER TRAINEES--Estimated As of April 1, 1999

	<u>Federal Aid</u>	<u>Non-Federal Aid</u>	<u>Total</u>
State Maritime Academies	243 ¹	1,929	2,172
U.S. Merchant Marine Academy	<u>884</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>884</u>
Total	1,127	1,929	3,059

¹/Includes SIP applicants for Class of 2001.

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LONGSHOREMEN--Estimated average employment as of April 1, 1999, including clerks, checkers and allied crafts.

<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>24,161</u>
Atlantic Coast	9,900
Gulf Coast	4,000
Pacific Coast	9,761
Great Lakes	500

SHIPYARD--Production employees (direct labor) in commercial shipyards during January 1, 1997, in the U.S. active shipbuilding base.

<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>34,591</u>
MARAD Projects	0
Navy Projects	27,341
Private Projects	4,806
Non-Ship Work	1,214
Other	1,230

GREAT LAKES--Total Shipboard Jobs as of April 1, 1999.

<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>1,344</u>
Licensed	432
Unlicensed	912

SHIP CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS¹

April 1, 1999 (projected)

<u>No.</u>	<u>Type (Propulsion)</u>	<u>Total Dwt.</u>	<u>Cost²</u>	<u>Government Participation</u>	<u>Owner</u>	<u>Scheduled Delivery Date</u>
<u>NEWPORT NEWS SHIPBUILDING</u>						
1	PT(D)*	45,300	49.3	MG	Hvide Marine	1999

NOTE: Hvide Marine purchased ownership of tankers from Newport News after contract renegotiation with Eletson and Hvide Van Ommeren.

AVONDALE INDUSTRIES

3	CT(D)*	375,000	496.0	CCF	Arco Marine	2002
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INGALLS SHIPBUILDING

2	P(D)*	12,598	1,047.0	MG	American Classic Voyages	2004
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CONVERSIONS

None

GRAND TOTAL 6		<u>432,898</u>	<u>1,592.3</u>			
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*(S=Steam; D=Diesel; C=Coal Fired)

¹In commercial shipyards with facilities to build vessel 400 feet minimum length.

²Millions of dollars estimated.

TOTAL LARGE MERCHANT VESSELS UNDER CONTRACT IN PRIVATE
U.S. SHIPYARDS, As of April 1, 1999 (projected)

NEW CONSTRUCTION⁴

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Passenger¹</u>	<u>Freighters</u>	<u>Tankers</u>	<u>LNG</u>	<u>Intermodal¹</u>	<u>Dry Bulk²</u>	<u>Tug/Barge³</u>
Government	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Private	6	2	0	4	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	6	2	0	4	0	0	0	0

CONVERSIONS⁴

None

SHIPS COMPLETED⁴

(October 1, 1998 - October 1, 1999)

Private	5	0	0	5	0	0	0	0
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CONVERSIONS

Private	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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SHIP CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS AWARDED DURING FISCAL YEAR 1999 (see page 7 for full description)

<u>Date</u>	<u>No. of Ships</u>	<u>Owner</u>	<u>Shipyard</u>	<u>Dwt.</u>	<u>Total Cost⁵</u>	<u>Scheduled Delivery Date</u>
3/9/99	2	American Classic Voyages	Ingalls	12,598	1,047.0	2004

¹Includes the following types: RO/RO, LASH, Seabee, Containership, Partial Containership.

²Includes OBOs and Ore Carriers.

³Includes Tanker Barges.

⁴In commercial shipyards with facilities to build vessels 400 feet minimum length.

⁵Millions of dollars estimated.

KEY TO SHIP TYPES

B= Bulk

C= Cargo

Ch= Chemical Carrier

Cn= Containership

Cn-p= Partial Containership

CT= Crude Tanker

D= Dredge

DB= Dry Bulk

F= Freighter

I= Incinerator Ship

L= Lighter-Aboard Ship (LASH)

LB= Liquid Bulk Ship

LNG= Liquid Natural Gas

O= Ore Carrier

OBO= Oil/Bulk/Ore

P= Passenger Ship

PT= Product Tanker

R= Research

RO/RO= Roll-on/Roll-off

T= Tanker

TB= Tug Barge

TKB= Tanker Barge

KEY TO AIDS

CCF= Capital Construction Fund

CS= Construction Subsidy

MG= Mortgage Guarantee (Title XI)